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June 13, 2003

Matthew K. Wesolowski General Manager SSR Communications, Inc. 5270 West Jones Bridge Road Norcross, GA 30092-1628 RECEIVED & INSPECTED

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In re: RM-10570

Dear Mr. Wesolowski:

This letter is in reference to a petition for rule making you filed proposing the allotment of Channel 223A to Monroeville, Alabama. In order to accommodate this allotment, you requested the reclassification of Station WLWI-FM, Channel 222C, Montgomery, Alabama, to specify operation on Channel 222C0 and Station WQST-FM, Channel 223C, Forest, Mississippi, to specify operation on Channel 223C0.

Station WLWI-FM and WQST-FM are subject to reclassification as a Class C0 facility since they were operating below minimum Class C standards in accordance to the Second Report and Order in MM Docket No. 98-93¹, and as set forth in Section 1.420(g), note 2, and Section 73.3574, note 4 of the Commission's Rules. An Order to Show Cause ("Order")² was issued on September 27, 2002 pursuant to the reclassification procedures set forth in Section 73.3573, note 4 of the Commission's Rules, which afforded each station an opportunity to show why its respective license should not be modified to a Class C0 facility. Cumulus Media L.L.C. ("Cumulus Media"), licensee of Station WLWI-FM filed comments in response to the Order stating its intention to file a minor change construction permit application to increase its antenna height above 451 meters HAAT. No comments were received from American Family Association Inc., licensee of Station WQST-FM in response to the Order. Cumulus Media filed an acceptable construction permit application on May 15, 2003 to increase its antenna height above 451 meters HAAT³, therefore pursuant to Section 1.420(g), note 2 of the Commission's Rules, the petition for rule making filed by SSR Communications proposing the allotment of Channel 223A to Monroeville, Alabama is hereby dismissed.

As noted in the *Order*, the present three-year construction period will be applicable if a construction permit is obtained by Cumulus Media for Channel 222C under this reclassification procedure. If the construction is not completed as authorized, Station WLWI-FM is subject to

¹ See 1998 Biennial Regulatory Review – Streamlining of Radio Technical Rules in Parts 73 and 74 of the Commission's Rules, 15 FCC Rcd 21649 (2000).

² Reclassification of License of Station, WLWI-FM, Montgomery Alabama and WQST-FM, Forest, Mississippi, 17 FCC 18104 (MB 2002).

³ BPH-20030515AAW

reclassification automatically as a Class C0 station, and, in that event, a new petition for rule making to allot Channel 223A at Monroeville, Alabama, may be refiled. In light of the above, we are returning your petition for rule making for Channel 223A at Monroeville, Alabama.

Sincerely,

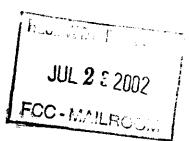
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Assistant Chief, Audio Division

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Enclosure

Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20554



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In the	Matter of)			
)	MM Docket No.		
Amendment of Section 73.202(b),)	RM		
Table of Allotments)			******
FM Broadcast Stations)		끙	
(Monroeville, AL))		Š	NUC
To:	Chief, Allocations Branch			₹	2 €
	Policy and Rules Division			Ę	~

PETITION FOR RULEMAKING

Mass Media Bureau

SSR Communications Incorporated hereby petitions the Federal Communications

Commission for the initiation of a rulemaking proceeding to amend the FM Table of

Allotments (§73.202(b) of the Commission's Rules) to assign FM Channel 223A to

Monroeville, Alabama, as that community's first competing commercial FM broadcast

service, as follows:

City	Present	Proposed		
Monroeville, Alabama	205C1, 257C2	205C1, 223A, 257C2		

1. Monroeville is an incorporated community with a 2000 U.S. Census recorded population of 6,862 persons. Monroeville is a bona-fide community for allotment purposes: it is home to current commercial FM station WMFC-FM on 99.3 MHz, an unbuilt non-commercial station on 88.9 MHz, as well as AM stations WMFC-AM and WYNI.

- 2. As indicated in the attached Engineering Statement (attached hereto as Exhibit 1), Channel 223A can be assigned to Monroeville using the reference site 31-27-23 N, 87-25-18 W. These reference coordinates do require a site restriction: the site is approximately 8 kilometers southwest of Monroeville. At the reference site, all minimum distance separation requirements of §73.202(b) of the Commission's Rules are met, as well as the principal community contour coverage requirements of §73.315. This allotment *does* short-space station two current stations: WQST-FM (Forest, MS) on 223C by more than 11 kilometers, as well as WLWI-FM (Montgomery, AL) on 222C by more than 8 kilometers. Neither station, at present, meets the Commission's requirements for a full class C station. SSR proposes that both stations be downgraded to Class C0 status. SSR wishes the Commission to put forth a Show Cause Order to WQST-FM and WLWI-FM and allowing each station its requisite 30-day window to express in writing its intention to file for full class C status. Absent of such expression, SSR wishes for the Commission to downgrade the status of both stations to C0.
- 3. In the event that Channel 223A be allotted to Monroeville, Alabama, SSR Communications Incorporated will file an application (Form 301) for a Construction Permit to operate the stations and, if authorized, will build the station promptly.

Dated: July 19, 2002

SSR Communications Incorporated

5270 West Jones Bridge Road Norcross, GA 30092-1628 (770) 447-0026 Respectfully submitted,

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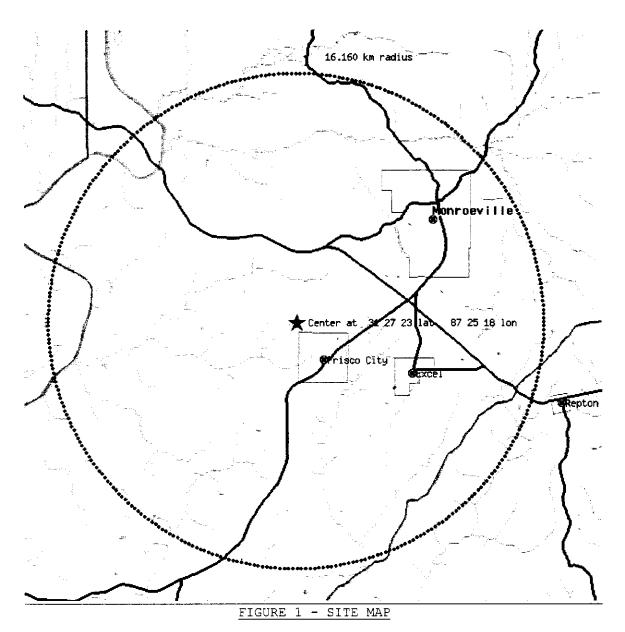
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General Manager

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EXHIBIT 1 Site Map and Separation Requirements



Proposed Channel 223A (92.5 MHz) 70 dBu Contour

Monroeville, AL

TABLE 1 - ALLOCATION STUDY

Location: Monroeville, AL

(Reference Site: 31-27-23 N, 87-25-18 W)

Channel: 223A (92.5 MHz)

Database: 07/17/2002

ALL DISTANCES GIVEN IN KILOMETERS

ID CI	hannel	Freq. Cl.	Type	City of Lic St.	Distance	Req Dist	Difference (Dutcome
WQST-FM	223	92.5 C	FM LIC	FOREST MS	214.50	226.00	11.50	short *
WLWI-FM	222	92.3 C	FM LIC	MONTGO! AL	156.33	165.00	8.67	short *
PROP	223	92.5 C0	FM LIC	FOREST MS	214.50	215.00	0.50	close
WBLX-FM	225	92.9 C	FM LIC	MOBILE AL	94.50	95.00	0.50	close
PROP	222	92.3 C0	FM LIC	MONTGO! AL	156.33	152.00	-4.33	close
WMBV	220	91.9 C1	FM LIC	DIXONS MAL	80.38	75.00	-5.38	close
WPAP-FM	223	92.5 C1	FM LIC	PANAMA (FL	212.19	200.00	-12.19	okay
WPAP-FM	223	92.5 C1	FM CP	PANAMA (FL	212.33	200.00	-12.33	okay
WZEW	221	92.1 C3	FM LIC	FAIRHOPE AL	103.30	42.00	-61.30	okay
WQYZ	223	92.5 A	FM LIC	OCEAN SFMS	176.54	115.00	-61.54	okay
WJIF	220	91.9 A	FM LIC	OPP AL	115.94	31.00	-84.94	okay
WMMK	221	92.1 C3	FM LIC	DESTIN FL	138.32	42.00	-96.32	okay
WTUG-FM	225	92.9 C1	FM LIC	TUSCALO: AL	177.58	75.00	-102.58	okay
WIOL	224	92.7 C2	FM LIC	EUFAULA AL	234.98	106.00	-128.98	okay
WQOP-FM	223	92.5 A	FM LIC	DORA AL	244.39	115.00	-129.39	okay
WJMG	221	92.1 A	FM LIC	HATTIESB MS	178.90	31.00	-147.90	okay
930208MC	226	93.1 A	FM APP	HATTIESB MS	186.74	31.00	-155.74	okay
930208MC	226	93.1 A	FM APP	HATTIESB MS	187.84	31.00	-156.84	okay
930208MA	226	93.1 A	FM APF	HATTIESB MS	189.66	31.00	-158.66	okay
WJJN	221	92.1 A	FM LIC	COLUMBI/AL	212.51	31.00	-181.51	okay
WBBK-FM	226	93.1 C3	FM LIC	BLAKELY GA	225.82	42.00	-183.82	okay
WGIB	220	91.9 C3	FM CP	BIRMINGH AL	230.49	42.00	-188.49	okay
980727MH	220	91.9 A	FM APF	EUFAULA AL	219.84	31.00	-188.84	okay
WGIB	220	91.9 A	FM LIC	BIRMING+ AL	232.08	31.00	-201.08	okay
WBOX-FM	225	92.9 A	FM LIC	VARNADO LA	249.63	31.00	-218.63	okay

^{*} these shortspacings would be resolved with the proposed C0 downgrades to WQST and WLWI

CERTIFICATION

I certify that I have directly prepared or supervised the preparation of this entire document. Although I have received no legal counsel on the authoring of this Petition for Rule Making, I believe it to be accurate and true, to the best of my knowledge.

Date: July 19, 2002

Respectfully Submitted,

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